## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

| IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL<br>LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION | No. 12-md-2323 (AB)        |  |
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| INJURY LITIGATION                                      | MDL No. 2323               |  |
|                                                        |                            |  |
|                                                        | SHORT FORM COMPLAINT       |  |
| THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:                              |                            |  |
|                                                        | IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL   |  |
| Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-                | LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION |  |
| Form Complaint and (if applicable)                     | INJURY LITIGATION          |  |
| Garner, III v. National Football League                |                            |  |
| [et al.],                                              |                            |  |
| No. 1:12-cv-22680 (E.D. Pa.)                           |                            |  |
| <u> </u>                                               | JURY TRIAL DEMANDED        |  |
| KERRY CARTER                                           |                            |  |

# **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), **KERRY CARTER**, (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse)
  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE:

  NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION,

  MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this short form complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

| 4.           | [Fill in if applicable] Pl  | aintiff is filing this case in | a representative capacity as the |
|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|              | of                          | , ha                           | ving been duly appointed as the  |
|              | by the                      | Court of                       | (Cross out                       |
| sentence bel | ow if not applicable.) Cop  | pies of the Letters of Admi    | nistration/Letters Testamentary  |
| for a wrongf | ful death claim are annexed | hereto if such Letters are     | required for the commencement    |
| of such a cl | aim by the Probate, Surro   | egate or other appropriate     | court of the jurisdiction of the |
| decedent.    |                             |                                |                                  |

- 5. Plaintiff, **KERRY CARTER** is a resident and citizen of **Washington** and claims damages as set forth below.
- 6. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse, \_\_\_\_\_\_, is a resident and citizen of \_\_\_\_\_ and claims damages as a result of loss of consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband/decedent.
- 7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.
- 8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the **United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida**. If the case is

remanded, it should be remanded to United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

|      | 9. Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]: |                                                                               |  |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
|      |                                                                    | ✓ Injury to Herself/Himself                                                   |  |
|      |                                                                    | Injury to the Person Represented                                              |  |
|      |                                                                    | Wrongful Death                                                                |  |
|      |                                                                    | Survivorship Action                                                           |  |
|      |                                                                    | ✓ Economic Loss                                                               |  |
|      |                                                                    | Loss of Services                                                              |  |
|      |                                                                    | Loss of Consortium                                                            |  |
|      | <del>10.</del>                                                     | [Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband            |  |
|      |                                                                    | , Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a loss of                                 |  |
| onso | <del>rtium, i</del>                                                | ncluding the following injuries:                                              |  |
|      | <u>los</u>                                                         | s of marital services;                                                        |  |
|      | <u>— lo</u>                                                        | ss of companionship, affection or society;                                    |  |
|      | <u>— lo</u>                                                        | ss of support; and                                                            |  |
|      | <u>— me</u>                                                        | netary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to expend for the |  |
|      | health care and personal care of her husband.                      |                                                                               |  |

11. [Check if applicable] \_\_\_\_ Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) reserve(s) the right to object to federal jurisdiction.

| <u>DEFENDANTS</u>                                           |                      |                                                                            |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 12.                                                         | Plainti              | ff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the  |
| following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]: |                      |                                                                            |
|                                                             | <u>√</u>             | National Football League                                                   |
|                                                             | <u>✓</u>             | NFL Properties, LLC                                                        |
|                                                             |                      | Riddell, Inc.                                                              |
|                                                             |                      | All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.)               |
|                                                             |                      | Riddell Sports Group, Inc.                                                 |
|                                                             |                      | Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.                                                   |
|                                                             |                      | Easton-Bell Sports, LLC                                                    |
|                                                             | _                    | EB Sports Corporation                                                      |
|                                                             | _                    | RBG Holdings Corporation                                                   |
| 13.                                                         | [ <del>Checl</del>   | where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above,   |
| the claims ass                                              | serted ar            | e: design defect; informational defect; manufacturing defect.              |
| 14.                                                         | [Checl               | c if applicable] The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets      |
| designed and                                                | <del>or man</del>    | ufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or |
| <del>decedent) pla</del>                                    | <del>yed in tl</del> | ne NFL and/or AFL.                                                         |

15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable] ✓ the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] \_\_\_\_ the American Football League ("AFL") during 2003 to 2006 for the following teams: Washington Redskins and Seattle Seahawks.

## **CAUSES OF ACTION**

| 16.            | Plaint   | iff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master      |
|----------------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Administrativ  | ve Lon   | g-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by   |
| reference in t | hose Co  | ounts [check all that apply]:                                          |
|                | <u>√</u> | Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL))  |
|                | ✓        | Count II (Medical Monitoring (Against the NFL))                        |
|                | _        | Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions (Against the NFL))      |
|                | ✓        | Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment (Against the NFL))                    |
|                | <u>✓</u> | Count V (Fraud (Against the NFL))                                      |
|                | <u>√</u> | Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation (Against the NFL))               |
|                | _        | Count VII (Negligence Pre-1968 (Against the NFL))                      |
|                | ✓        | Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 (Against the NFL))                    |
|                |          | Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 (Against the NFL))                      |
|                | <u>√</u> | Count X (Negligence Post-1994 (Against the NFL))                       |
|                |          | Count XI (Loss of Consortium (Against the NFL and Riddell Defendants)) |

|     | <u>*</u> | Count XII (Negligent Hiring (Against the NFL))                                         |
|-----|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|     | <u>✓</u> | Count XIII (Negligent Retention (Against the NFL))                                     |
|     |          | Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))        |
|     |          | Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))  |
|     |          | Count XVI (Failure to Warn (Against the Riddell Defendants))                           |
|     |          | Count XVII (Negligence (Against the Riddell Defendants))                               |
|     | <u> </u> | Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment (Against All-the NFL Defendants)) |
| 17. |          | Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or attach]:      |
|     |          |                                                                                        |
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## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

### **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

DATED: this 20th day of August, 2012.

### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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